

*Stated Meeting, January 2, 1880.*

Present, 5 members.

President, Mr. FRALEY, in the Chair.

A letter accepting his appointment to prepare an obituary notice of the late M. Michel Chevalier, was received from Mr. Moneure Robinson, dated Dec. 22, 1879.

A letter of envoy was received from the London Meteorological office, dated Dec. 1879.

A letter requesting a copy of Proc. No. 100, to complete a set was received from the Central Anstalt für Meteorologie, dated Vienna, Dec. 4, 1879.

A letter respecting exchanges of specimens was received from Mr. H. B. Dawson, dated Morisania, N. Y., Dec. 5, 1879.

Donations for the Library were received from the Prussian Academy; *Revue Politique*; London Astronomical, Geographical and Meteorological Societies, and the Cobden Club; the Royal Geological Society of Ireland; the Massachusetts Historical Society; the Boston Society of Natural History; the American Chemical Society; Mr. A. R. Grote; the Franklin Institute; *American Journal of Mathematics*; the *North American Entomologist*; the U. S. Treasury Department; the *Botanical Gazette*; the *Ministerio de Fomento* of Mexico, and Mr. S. H. Scudder.

A communication on the Velocity of Light, by P. E. Chase was read.

A paper entitled "An account of an old work on Cosmography, by Mr. Henry Phillips, Jr." was postponed to be read at the next meeting.

A paper on the relation of the crystalline rocks of South-eastern Pennsylvania to the Silurian limestones, and on the Hudson river age of the Hydromica schists (with map and specimens), by Mr. Charles E. Hall, of the Geological Survey, was postponed to be read at the next meeting.

The report of the judges and clerks of the annual election for officers of the Society was read, and the following named persons were declared duly elected to be the officers for the ensuing year :

*President.*

Frederick Fraley.

*Vice-Presidents.*

Eli K. Price, E. Otis Kendall, J. L. LeConte.

*Secretaries.*

P. E. Chase, G. F. Barker, J. P. Lesley,  
D. G. Brinton.

*Councillors for three years.*

R. E. Rogers, Robert Bridges, Oswald Seidensticker,  
Richard Wood.

*Curators.*

Hector Tyndale, C. M. Cresson, Henry Phillips, Jr.

*Treasurer.*

J. Sergeant Price.

Pending nominations Nos. 885 to 892 were read.

Mr. Lesley was nominated for Librarian for the ensuing year.

And the meeting was adjourned.